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Today's Topics:

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herein consists of personal comments and does not represent the official
policies or positions of any party. Your mileage may vary. So there.

Date: 21 May 93 18:06:59 GMT
From: news-mail-gateway@ucsd.edu
Subject: 2 Meters and Airlines
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

While the faq for this group has a discussion of this, I will
mention that on a recent Northwest flight up the east coast,
the "fasten seatbelts, put your tray tables in the upright
position" announcement before the flight specifically included
turning off personal computers, cell phones, radios and electronic
games as part of the announcement.

Northwest, at any rate, is making it's policy clear.

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U.S. Naval Observatory
Washington, DC

Date: Fri, 21 May 93 13:32:37 GMT
From: walter!porthos!prefect!mgsail@uunet.uu.net
Subject: 2 Meters and Airlines
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

In article <1993May20.143907.23425@bongo.tele.com> julian@bongo.tele.com (Julian Macassey) writes:

> I have used a walkie-talkie from a plane many times.

May I never be on the same plane as you. I worked for years in EMI/RFI/EMP protection and what one deals with is the probability of causing an error. Maybe it's one in the navigation equipment. Maybe that's what happened some years ago with Korean Airlines Flt 007. If I see anyone using a radio on any of my flights, (radio includes cellular phones) I politely ask them to stop. If they don't, I tell the crew. Let people take chances with their own lives not with mine.

Marv
N2OWL

Date: Thu, 20 May 1993 22:53:59 GMT
From: pa.dec.com!nntpd2.cxo.dec.com!nuts2u.enet.dec.com!little@decwrl.dec.com
Subject: 2 Meters and Airlines
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

brucec@tekgen.bv.tek.com (Bruce Cheney) writes:

>How about getting them through the security monitors? Do they
>get all excited when they see a small handheld in carry-on
>baggage?

Depends upon the phase of the moon. :-)

I carry an HT, flexible J-pole, broken down Diamond dual band mobile antenna, Larsen magmount, homemade power regulator for mobile operation, a notebook PC, and sometimes the desktop charger for my HT through airport security all the time. Usually the worst that happens is my arms get longer. I've had the same airport ignore it all and other times ask me to

turn on everything. I once even carried a TK-50 cartridge tape drive through security. Fortunately I had the power cord with me because they asked me to show it working to them. I wasn't also carrying my DECstation with me (not a real portable machine with a 19" color monitor), so I simply plugged it into the wall and they were happy to see the power indicator light come on. What a power indicator light is supposed to prove is beyond me.

So carry it on but be ready to turn it on to show them it does something other than explode.

73,
Todd
N9MWB

Date: 20 May 1993 20:19:10 GMT
From: sun-barr!west.West.Sun.COM!suntzu!stan@ames.arpa
Subject: Alinco DJ580 Gets HOT!!!
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

In article G6K@boi.hp.com, dave@boi.hp.com (Dave Fujii) writes:
> I've got a DJ580T HT that, when transmitting on medium or high power
> (12V operation) the unit gets very hot -- too hot to hold! Has anyone
> else experienced this? I'm wondering if something is wrong with the
> unit.
>
> Thanks in advance,
>
> Dave Fujii
> Boise Printer Division R&D Lab
> Hewlett Packard Co.
> (208) 396-4888
> dave@hpdmd48.boi.hp.com
> KBJSQJ

Dave,

Mine gets very warm also, by the way I believe that the belt clip
is part of or is the heat sink for the radio.

Stan
KB6RQZ

Date: 21 May 93 13:05:26 GMT
From: news-mail-gateway@ucsd.edu
Subject: Anyone built the CHU receiver?
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

In a recent post

>I recently pulled in a schematic from berkeley.edu for
>a CHU (7.333) time receiver, which gives machine
>readable time signals (via a modem chip). I wonder if
>anyone here has built it, and if there might be a PC
>board available somewhere?
>
>TNKS! de - WB5KXH

What was the name of the file??

73 -- marty -- nr3z skitch@nadc.navy.mil

Date: 21 May 93 14:37:21 GMT
From: news-mail-gateway@ucsd.edu
Subject: DX Clusters
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

I was wondering if anyone knows anywhere the Packet DX cluster info might be gatewayed to internet/usenet/or bitnet listservers?

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Date: Fri, 21 May 1993 14:12:35 GMT
From: ddsww1!news.kei.com!sol.ctr.columbia.edu!NewsWatcher!user@uunet.uu.net
Subject: Hamfest SUN, May 23rd at Howard County Fair Grounds
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

In article <rbolt-170593134302@128.183.16.116>, rbolt@postman.gsfc.nasa.gov (Dick Bolt) wrote:

>
> Washington DC area hamfest at Howard County fair grounds as usual. Many in
> doors in big barn. I expect to be parking as usual with the crew and
> CORRECT DATE IS MAY 30th, not as stated above! Thanks to astute readers I am
correcting this. My mistake!

Date: 21 May 1993 14:56:17 GMT
From: elroy.jpl.nasa.gov!swrinde!emory!europa.eng.gtefsd.com!slc20!
wwhitby@ames.arpa
Subject: Intermod/spurious sigs a common HT pro
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

How do the ICOM mini HT's rate as far as intermod problems?

Warren Whitby

Date: 21 May 93 19:17:12 GMT
From: news-mail-gateway@ucsd.edu
Subject: ORBS\$142.2liners
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

SB KEPS @ AMSAT \$ORBS-142.N
2Line Orbital Elements 142.AMSAT

HR AMSAT ORBITAL ELEMENTS FOR AMATEUR SATELLITES IN NASA FORMAT
FROM N3FKV HEWITT, TX May 22, 1993
BID: \$ORBS-142.N

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G-ECCENTRICITY H-ARGPERIGEE I-MNANOM J-MNMOTION K-ORBITNUM Z-CHECKSUM

TO ALL RADIO AMATEURS BT

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Date: 20 May 1993 21:16:49 GMT
From: sun-barr!news2me.EBay.Sun.COM!west.West.Sun.COM!l1-a!flloyd@ames.arpa
Subject: QRZ! CDRom Software Update Available
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Those who have recently purchased the QRZ! Ham Radio CDRom will be pleased to know that a bug fix update to the search and retrieval program QRZ.EXE is not available for anonymous FTP from the host cdrom.com in the directory /cdrom/cdroms/ham. The updated program is called QRZ_NEW.EXE This version corrects the off-by-one-day date display problem.

Also included is the technical description for the callsign database index files and search method for those wishing to develop their own software. Get the file called qrz_tech.txt

In addition, there were a couple of files missing from the /unix source tree, which are available in the file cbsrc.shar.

Again, these files are available via anonymous ftp from the machine

cdrom.com

in the directory /cdrom/cdroms/ham

Feel free to redistribute these files as you wish.

E-mail me direct if you have any questions regarding QRZ!

-fred

[Fred Lloyd, AA7BQ	Fred.Lloyd@West.Sun.COM]
[Sun Microsystems,	Systems Engineer]
[Phoenix, AZ	(602) 224-3517]

Date: 21 May 93 14:54:03 GMT
From: news-mail-gateway@ucsd.edu

Subject: RACES Bulletin #275
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Bid : \$RACESBUL.275

TO: ALL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCIES VIA AMATEUR RADIO
INFO: ALL RACES OPERATORS IN CA (ALLCA: OFFICIAL)
ALL AMATEURS U.S. (@ USA: INFORMATION)
FROM: CA STATE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES (W6HIR @ WA6NWE.CA)
2800 Meadowview Rd., Sacramento, CA 95832 (916)262-1600
Landline BBS open to all: (916) 262-1657
RACESBUL.275 DATE: May 24, 1993
SUBJECT: MGT - Follow the chain of command

RACES Radio Officers, volunteer or paid, are part of the management in the agency for which they serve. In that role it's proper for them to network and coordinate with their counterparts in neighboring jurisdictions. This helps when one jurisdiction needs help and resources from another jurisdiction to support an incident.

However, here is where Radio Officers must be careful. It is a natural tendency to contact the other jurisdiction's Radio Officer and bypass his or her agency coordinator. This could cause irreparable damage by cutting an official out of the loop. Some may consider such an act as tantamount to "stealing" the jurisdiction's resources without their knowledge. Making sure your Radio Officer understands the proper procedure for inter-jurisdictional contacts avoids such a faux pas from affecting your RACES program.

During a major incident, a county RACES officer tried to reach an adjoining county Radio Officer without success. When asked if he had contacted that county's disaster director, he admitted he had not. The mutual aid might have been forthcoming if the chain of command had been followed.

In another incident the Radio Officer bypassed the agency official, went direct to the other Radio Officer and stirred up a hornets nest in the process when the authorizing official discovered his RACES unit was involved without his knowledge. While situations vary, and events change, it seems wise to be sure your Radio Officer understands your policies and procedures.

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Date: 21 May 93 14:06:43 GMT
From: news-mail-gateway@ucsd.edu
Subject: REAL Mods for the HTX-202
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

>Yes beleive it or not I found an UNPUBLISHED mod for the HTX-202 and will
>be forwarding this to R.S. , etc.

I'd swear i saw this in the book that came with mine....but i don't have it
here so i'll have to see if i can remember to check this out. KD4UGA came by
this morning and asked me if i knew and i told him. his response was "oh, you
already read it..." and i said "No, i think it's in the book..."

This seems to be a problem with many packet messages...someone RTFMs and then
writes messages to the world proclaiming a great new discovery.

unless it's not in the book. then it'd probably qualify with the discovery of
the electron or something....

bill wb9ivr

Date: 21 May 93 13:42:59 GMT
From: news-mail-gateway@ucsd.edu
Subject: Technician Test
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

I am in the process of studying for my technician plus exam. I was
wondering if there is any DOS software available that has the
questions available. I have a program that has all the novice
questions and an outdated one that includes the technician. If
anyone knows where I can ftp one I would appreciate it. By the way I
do have a copy of the questions as I bought a book from Radio Shack,
but it's alot easier to have sample tests etc. on the screen. You can
either reply to this list or to me direct, bob@ia-ngnet.army.mil.

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Bob Powers
W01, Iowa ARNG
Database Administrator

Date: 20 May 1993 16:13:00 GMT
From: dog.ee.lbl.gov!overload.lbl.gov!agate!howland.reston.ans.net!news.ans.net!

rpi!rs6309.ecs.rpi.edu!maessm@network.UCSD.EDU
Subject: Why do they DO that?
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

In article <1993May17.200456.1621@icd.teradyne.com>, ardai@wizard.atb.teradyne.com
(Michael Ardai) writes:

|> Does anyone know why Icom required me to perform the out-of-band mod on
|> my 24at in order to transmit within the ham band at 439 MHz?

Because the normal FM subband in the 70cm band (in the U.S) goes from 440-450
MHz. 439 MHz is set aside for weak signal work (SSB, CW, satellites, EME), I
believe.

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disclaimer: Anyone NOT singing will have a can of Foster's lobbed at
their heads.

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Date: Fri, 21 May 1993 14:41:30 GMT
From: europa.eng.gtefsd.com!emory!sol.ctr.columbia.edu!NewsWatcher!
user@uunet.uu.net
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

References <9305191754.AA00648@ucsd.edu>, <1993May20.143907.23425@bongo.tele.com>,
<1993May21.133237.3600@porthos.cc.bellcore.com>
Subject : Re: 2 Meters and Airlines

I just read ALL 22! Lots of ZZZZZZZz. The thing that comes through for me
is if one ham unit causes a problem we all will not be able to take them
along, likely not even in the luggage. Yes I think its likely rediculas
except for landings and takeoffs, but the pleasure is not worth any undue
risk at 30K feet. Its a ling way down to touch thoes back yard antennas! I
have always asked for the top floor in hotels and took off the mike at
connector to prevent any accidental operation in the overhead. Mine is 3
watts FM or SSB out on 2. Likely based on future free phone calls that the
airline can't charge you for anyway. Lets fight it other ways, such as in
their pocket book. We fly on thoes that are type compatible and allow it
and not the others. This BB could aid in getting this going. Any takers?
W1DGA

Date: Thu, 20 May 1993 19:13:52 GMT

From: dog.ee.lbl.gov!overload.lbl.gov!agate!doc.ic.ac.uk!pipex!bnr.co.uk!corpgate!
crchh327!bnr.ca!tnichols@network.UCSD.EDU

To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

References <9305191754.AA00648@ucsd.edu>, <C7AE8L.JtM@ucdavis.edu>,
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Subject : Re: 2 Meters and Airlines

In article <2867@tekgen.bv.tek.com>, brucec@tekgen.bv.tek.com (Bruce Cheney)
writes:

|> How about getting them through the security monitors? Do they
|> get all excited when they see a small handheld in carry-on
|> baggage?
|>
|> Bruce Cheney NI7M
|>

I sometimes have my HT in my backpack and let it be x-rayed. No problem. I
sometimes have it on my belt, particularly if I talked on the way to the air-
port or if my carry-on luggage is full, and I just hand it to the guard and
switch it on. No problem. I have carried my HT on passenger aircraft about
a dozen or 14 times (a round-trip flight counts twice), and have never had
any problem, or even a reaction from the security personnel. HT's are a lot
less trouble than a laptop :-)

I have never keyed the radio on board the aircraft, though 1/2 :-)

Todd Nichols Bell Northern Research, Richardson, TX (214) 684-2651
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KB0HQU BNR didn't say it; I did

Date: Fri, 21 May 93 13:22:17 GMT

From: walter!porthos!prefect!mgsail@uunet.uu.net

To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

References <9305191754.AA00648@ucsd.edu>, <C7AE8L.JtM@ucdavis.edu>,
<2867@tekgen.bv.tek.com>il

Subject : Re: 2 Meters and Airlines

In article <2867@tekgen.bv.tek.com> brucec@tekgen.bv.tek.com (Bruce Cheney)
writes:

>How about getting them through the security monitors? Do they
>get all excited when they see a small handheld in carry-on
>baggage?

I've never had a problem with security and I carry with me when I travel. I travel a lot.

Just to share a story of using it on an airline:

On a trip from Denver to Newark, the plane was diverted to Syracuse due to weather. Once on the ground in Syracuse, we did not know when we would take off and we were held on the tarmac away from the terminal. I asked the flight attendant if I could use a radio. She said "OK" and I proceeded to contact a local ham who called my wife to tell her to go to sleep, I'd be very late. The ham that helped got a big kick out of this and I listened to him tell his buddies on 2m about the "guy on the plane." Nice people, hams.

Marv
N2OWL

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Date: 21 May 93 02:05:01 GMT
From: ogicse!uwm.edu!ux1.cso.uiuc.edu!howland.reston.ans.net!wupost!
crcnis1.unl.edu!mcduffie@network.UCSD.EDU
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

References <9305191754.AA00648@ucsd.edu>, <C7AE8L.JtM@ucdavis.edu>,
<2867@tekgen.bv.tek.com>crcnis1
Subject : Re: 2 Meters and Airlines

brucec@tekgen.bv.tek.com (Bruce Cheney) writes:

>How about getting them through the security monitors? Do they
>get all excited when they see a small handheld in carry-on
>baggage?

>Bruce Cheney NI7M

You don't send it through the security monitor. You put it in the plastic bucket with the rest of your pocket items and it is passed around the monitor. On the other side, they will sometimes want you to turn it on and open the squelch to prove it can at least be called a receiver. They want to hear the open squelch. Same with camcorders, etc. They had me turn it on so they could see light in the viewfinder and that was all that mattered.

Shows to go ya, if you want to carry a bomb, put a monitor on it and make it light. :)

Generally, I thought it was entirely too easy to carry things like that onto the plane.

As for operating, it's taboo. In fact, the stewardess reminded both my wife and I more than once. You can't even turn it on. For the benefit of the person who asked the original question, the real problem is local oscillator radiation interfering with the IFR equipment. While you may have done it several times, it is not safe to assume that you didn't cause any problem. Just last week, the industry clamped down harder and two of the airlines have said no more laptop computers or cd players while on board. They have had too many problems with rf interference throwing off nav gear.

73,

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